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Chair Committee on Elections State Affairs



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The Honorable Dan Morales Attorney General, State of Texas P.O. Box 12548 Austin, Texas 78711-2548

Attention: Sarah Shirley

Re: Texas State Veterinary Licensing Act

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Dear Dan:

As Chair of the House Committee on Elections, I have been asked by the Texas Humane Legislative Network to request your opinion on the following two questions:

- (1) is a corporation under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act within the meaing of the term "corporation" in Section 22(a) of Article 8890 since such corporations do not have shareholders, and
- (2) is a municipal corporation within the meaning of the term "corporation" in Section 22(a) of Article 8890 since, as a governmental entity, it does not have shareholders?

If you are in need of additional information, please contact Philip Cheatham of my staff at 463-0504. Due to the widespread application of this statute and the confusion it has created, I respectfully request your opinion by February 1, 1995 if possible as we anticipate the need for clarifying legislation if the ruling is counter to our constituents' needs. Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely

Debra Danburg

State Representative

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